Husband: **WILLIAM TAYLOR**

Born:	25 October 1688	Middletown, Monmouth Co, NJ
Married:	1713	Monmouth County, NJ
Died:	circa 12 October 1767	Freehold, Monmouth County, NJ
Buried:		
Father:	EDWARD TAYLOR (? – 1710)	
Mother:	CATHERINE CARTERET	

Wife: **HANNAH GROVER**

Born:	circa 1690	Monmouth County, NJ
Died:		
Buried:		
Father:	SAFETY GROVER (1658 -)	
Mother:	MERCY BORDEN (?)	

Issue:	Born:	Where:
1) WILLIAM TAYLOR		
2) SAFETY TAYLOR		
3) EDWARD TAYLOR		
4) MERCY TAYLOR	16 December 1728	Middletown, Monmouth County
5) DEBORAH TAYLOR		
6) HANNAH TAYLOR		Monmouth County, NJ
7) CATHERINE TAYLOR	25 January 1720/21	Monmouth County, NJ
8) MARTHA TAYLOR	**25 JANUARY 1720/21**	**MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ**
9) REBECCA TAYLOR		Monmouth County, NJ
10) ESTHER TAYLOR		Monmouth County, NJ

According to WILLIAM NELSON, the descendants of WILLIAM and HANNAH TAYLOR were Loyalists in the War for Independence. Although they were Tories they regarded themselves only as being loyal to the legitimate government.[1] However this must be viewed cautiously as NELSON makes the same assertion about the LAWRENCE family in which only two have been identified in the Royalist army while 13 have been found fighting on the patriot side. A 2010 work by MICHAEL ADELBERG also addresses the issue.[2]

There are three proprietary land transactions naming WILLIAM TAYLOR; two as grantor: neither one seems to be the subject as one is too early while the other is too late; and one as grantee which is too early.

An Administrator's Bond was signed by *GORG TALAR*, THOMAS STILLWELL, and WILLIAM TAYLOR; son, son-in-law, son respectively, on 29 December 1710 for the estate of EDWARD TAYLOR, deceased. In 1734 he was appointed executor of the estate of his brother EDWARD TAYLOR, along with their brother JOSEPH TAYLOR, EDWARD'S widow CATHERINE TAYLOR .and THOMAS MORPHET in EDWARD'S Will dated 22 February 1734; it was proved 12 June 1734.[3]

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Issue:[4]

1) WILLIAM TAYLOR II: married HESTER BULLEN 13 April 1762 in Monmouth County, NJ; died 21 April 1821. DANIEL, HERBERT, GROVER and JOHN, sons of WILLIAM TAYLOR are bequeathed legacies in the July 1780 will of JAMES GROVER, son of SAFETY and brother to HANNAH (GROVER) TAYLOR. HESTER TAYLOR, of Freehold, wife of WILLIAM, also received a bequest, a possible indication that there were additional children.
   a) EDWARD TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   b) JOHN TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   c) GROVER TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   d) WILLIAM TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   e) JOSEPH TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   f) MARY TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ; one "MARY TAYLOR" married WILLIAM SOUTHARD in Burlington County, NJ on 10 December 1795. This MARY would have been born around the correct time to have been this bride.
   g) CATY TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   h) ESTHER TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   i) ANN TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.
   j) PHEBE TAYLOR: born Monmouth County, NJ.

2) SAFETY TAYLOR.

3) EDWARD TAYLOR: married first SUSAN ERICKSON in Monmouth County; married second ABIGAIL OGBORNE 17 October 1757 in Monmouth County, NJ. ABIGAIL died in 1770 as her will was probated 23 November 1770 in Middletown, Monmouth County, NJ. EDWARD then married SUSAN ERICKSON in Monmouth County, NJ. EDWARD TAYLOR, "son of WILLIAM, deceased," receives a "legacy" mentioned in the 1780 will of JAMES GROVER.

4) MERCY TAYLOR: born 16 December 1728 in Middletown, Monmouth County, NJ; married COLONEL RICHARD COX 19 January 1750 in Monmouth County, NJ. He was born 1727, and died 1800. MERCY died 19 February 1827 in Charlton, Saratoga County, NY.[5] They are buried at the Upper Freehold Baptist Church Cemetery (Old Yellow Meeting House).
   a) JOSHUA COX.
   b) JAMES COX: died in KY.
   c) WILLIAM COX
   d) JOHN COX: wife named ROSE; 3 children.
      i) RICHARD COX.
      ii) EDWARD COX.
      iii) SAMUEL COX.
   e) CHLOE COX: born 12 May 1752 Monmouth County, NJ; married JUDGE JOHN TAYLOR (born 25 August 1749 in Monmouth County, NJ). They both died 6 April 1829 in Saratoga County, NY. 10 children all born in Saratoga County, NY.
      i) CHLOE TAYLOR.
      ii) JOSEPH TAYLOR: born 1775.
      iii) RICHARD TAYLOR: born 1777.
      iv) WILLIAM TAYLOR: born 1779.

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v) EDWARD TAYLOR: born 1781.
vi) JOHN W. TAYLOR: born 1784.
vii) REVEREND ELISHA TAYLOR: born 1786.
viii) ELIZABETH TAYLOR: born 1788.
ix) SARAH TAYLOR: born 1792.
x) ANN TAYLOR: born 1794.

f) REBECCA COX: born 25 July 1753; married REVEREND JOHN PITMAN on 1 September 1778; REBECCA died February 1792. 2 children.
   i) JUDGE JOHN PITMAN.
   ii) REBECCA COX PITMAN.

g) MAJOR RICHARD COX: born 1754; married JANE ROSE; died 9 March 1816, Mount Holly, Burlington County, NJ. 3 children.
   i) MARION HANNAH COX.
   ii) ALEXANDER COX.
   iii) WILLIAM COX.

h) MARY ANN COX:[6] born 31 October 1757, Cream Ridge, Monmouth County, NJ; married JOHN MORFORD on 21 December 1780 in Cranbury, Middlesex County, NJ. JOHN was born 18 May 1758 in the same town. All their children are believed to have been born in Cranbury before the family moved to Sharon, Mercer County, PA. MARY ANN died before 1830 in Sharon, West Salem Township, Mercer County, PA, followed by JOHN on 8 May 1840 in the same place. They are buried in the Oakwood Cemetery in Sharon.
   i) REBECCA MORFORD: born 6 October 1765; married THOMAS MORFORD on 8 January 1803 in Mercer County, PA; died 25 September 1857 in Mercer County, PA. THOMAS returned to NJ where he died on 3 May 1865. 8 children.
   ii) RICHARD MORFORD: born 22 October 1781; married first MARY BROWN MCLAUGHLIN (born 8 February 1794 in Middlin County, PA), 4 children, MARY died 20 July 1873 in West Salem Township, buried in the Baptist Cemetery at the same place; RICHARD then married ELIZABETH MORFORD on 4 September 1807 (born 24 November 1784 in Mercer County, PA), 5 children, ELIZABETH died 20 July 1826 in Mercer County, PA; RICHARD died 1 September 1874 in Trumbull County, OH.
   iii) THOMAS MORFORD: born 8 October 1788; married THERESA PERRINE; died 15 November 1873 West Salem Township, Mercer County, PA. 1 child.
   iv) ELIZABETH MORFORD: born 24 January 1791; married WILLIAM HULL; died 23 February 1840 in Lima Rock County, WI.
   v) JAMES MORFORD: born 17 July 1793; married SUSAN BELLE; died 12 July 1870 in North Henderson, Mercer County, IL.
   vi) JOHN MORFORD: born 22 May 1796; died 19 July 1877 Mercer County, PA.
   vii) WILLIAM LYON MORFORD: born 28 January 1799; married SUSAN BELLE; whether or not this was his widowed sister-in-law is not known. WILLIAM died 2 February 1875 in Porter Township, Porter County, IA.
   viii) JOSEPH MORFORD: born 1 August 1801; died 5 July 1860 in North Henderson, Mercer County, IL.

i) THOMAS COX: born 3 September 1760; married ELIZABETH COMES 3 October 1782. 4 children.
   i) THOMAS COX.
   ii) CHARLES COX.

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iii) HARRIET COX.
iv) ELIZABETH COX.

5) DEBORAH TAYLOR:[7] married JOSEPH COOPER in December 1741 in Monmouth County, NJ. He died 1751 in Monmouth County, NJ.

6) HANNAH TAYLOR

7) CATHERINE TAYLOR:[8] twin; married JOHN ASHTON 2 June 1741 in Monmouth Co, NJ.
   a) HANNAH ASHTON: married at Christ Church in Shrewsbury, Monmouth County, NJ on 18 December 1748; died circa 1784.
   b) MARTHA ASHTON: born 1746; died 1831.

8) **MARTHA TAYLOR**: twin; married **JOHN SHEPHERD** 13 December 1742 in Monmouth County, NJ. Their story is continued in a separate section.

9) REBECCA TAYLOR

10) ESTHER TAYLOR

Notes

William Taylor and Hannah Clayton of Lower Freehold Township were married on 6 June 1803 by Joseph Stillwell, J.P. (Monmouth County Marriages, Book A, p. 68)

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[1] William Nelson (ed), The New Jersey Coast in Three Centuries, (Lewis Publishing, Co., NY, 1902) pages 205-207

[2] Michael Adelberg The American Revolution in Monmouth County, (Freehold, NJ: MCHS, 2010) chapter 3 provides details one Edward Taylor (IV or V?) during Revolution

[3] John E. Stillwell, Historical and Genealogical Miscellany Volume VI: Unrecorded Wills and Inventories Monmouth County New Jersey (reprint Shrewsbury Historical Society; 1975) p.122. Digital copy available through FamilySeach.com.

[4] Bell, TAYLOR family website published on rootsweb.com

[5] FULLER website published on rootsweb.com

[6] Linda Mau, website published on rootsweb.com

[7] Michael Adelberg biographical file on Deborah Taylor, collections of the Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, NJ, may provide more information.

[8] Conovergenealogy.com

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